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## "SENATORIAL COURTESY."

An Illinois Appointment That Caused the

President to Decide Between the Relative

Influence of Senators and Representa-

tatives.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The President

has decided the contest between the Illi-

nois Senators and Representative Cannon,

that State of Illinois. Mr. Cannon

the commission will issue to Mr. Wilcox

for the position of collector of internal

revenue for the Eighth Illinois collection

district, and he will take charge of the

office July 1.

The President has made no change in

his position. He has simply decided that

the arguments presented by both Senators

have not been sufficient to induce him

to recede from the position that he

had already taken. He had appointed

Wilcox. The Senators have protested that

they consider their prerogative invaded

and that they have the right to record the

collectors of internal revenue in the cities

in which they live, or that, at all events,

no appointment of internal revenue col-

lector shall be made in these cities except

upon the recommendation of the Senators

and because of this claim the President

should revoke the appointment he

has made and should appoint Dr. Calhoun,

whom the Senators recommended after the

appointment of Wilcox. The President

announced and the President decided that

his original appointment shall stand. In other

words the President has decided that the

Senators have no "right" in the matter;

that their constitutional function "to ad-

vice and consent" to an appointment be-

gins when the appointment has been

made, and they have been asked

whether or not they shall confirm the

selection. The President has decided that

as to the selection of the nominee, the

President has an independent

constitutional function to perform, and

that the exercise of this function he

feels entirely at liberty to call upon the

Representatives in Congress from the dis-

trict affected for their views.

President Harrison has at least given a

negative definition to what he under-

stands "senatorial courtesy" to be. It is

that the function of the Senator with re-

spect to appointments does not begin with

the selection of the person to be nomi-

nated; that whatever "senatorial courtes-

ty" may be, it is a quality which at-

taches to the Senators only in their capac-

ity as judges; that in the matter of the

marking of a case to be presented to the

Senate for consideration, the votes of the

Senator is to be no more potent than that

of the Representative in Congress.

This is a decision that will be welcomed

in the House and Senate and possibly

resented in the Senate.

It is to be stated, however, that the Pres-

ident has had no such experience with the

Senators of any other State, as he has had

in Illinois. In the other States the situa-

tion is entirely different. In the State of

Illinois, there has not been much co-

operation between the Senators and the

Representatives, but the Congress-

men, when they care to talk freely, say

that they have had to make an effort to

confess to nearly all of the important

things that they have accomplished.

COLLISION AT SEA.

Two British Vessels Collide With Loss

of Life.

LONDON, May 22.—The British steamer

German Emperor, from London for Bil-

bo, ran into the British steamer Brest-

ford, from Hartlepool, at four o'clock

Monday morning, while the latter was

lying at anchor on the Goodwin sands.

The German Emperor sank immediately.

Boats from the Brestford rescued three

persons from the German Emperor. The

Brestford's bows were stove in. She dis-

appeared in the fog and while her fate

was unknown, but it is now learned that she

is proceeding to Gravesend, where she will

effect temporary repairs. Nine persons

on board the German Emperor were killed.

Small boat and have landed at Dover.

Nevertheless, it is thought that thirty per-

sons perished. The survivors who landed

at Dover gave exaggerated reports con-

cerning the loss of life. The Brestford

has arrived at Gravesend. She has on

board twenty-two of her own crew and

twelve of the crew of the German Emper-

or.

## CHICAGO'S LATEST HORROR.

The Body of Dr. Cronin, Who Recently Be-

came a Victim of a Mysterious Disappear-

ance, Found in a Sewer—A Full Murderer That Calls For

Right Investigation.

CHICAGO, May 22.—The dead body of

Dr. P. H. Cronin, the Irish-American who

strangely disappeared from his home in

Chicago two weeks ago, was found last

evening some distance north of the city

in a sewer on Evanston avenue. A bloody

towel was wrapped about the head. The

rest of the body was stark naked. A

Catholic emblem which the doctor always

wore next his skin suspended about his

neck was untouched. On the dead man's

head were a dozen deep cuts, which had

evered the scalp and exposed the brain.

It is the opinion of the police that Cronin

was foully murdered and by some man

who could not bring himself to disturb a

Catholic trinket.

Much excitement was shown at detective

headquarters when doubt as to the iden-

tity of the body was finally removed by

definite messages from Lakeview. It

was evident from the expressions of the

official that one of the first objects

of the police would be to have a

number of suspicious assertions ex-

plained—assertions made by supposed

friends of Cronin. Lieutenant Elliott has

these people at the police station and de-

mand an explanation full and complete.

The detectives claim that they have been

handicapped from the start by a lack of

information from those who claim to

know all concerning the doctor's disap-

pearance.

Wholly accidental circumstances

brought the corpse to light. A gang of

laborers in the employ of the Lakeview

suburban government had been cleaning

the ditches along Evanston avenue during

the week. Yesterday Foreman Henry

Roesche and two men were working north

of the east side of Evanston avenue

toward Fifty-ninth street, when, as they

neared the catch basin at the corner, they

noticed a strong smell of putrefying flesh,

and Roesche pulled off the top of the catch

basin with his spade and found the body

of Dr. Cronin. It had apparently been

hastily pitched into the basin, for the

head was underneath and the feet and

legs were up in the opening.

The place where the corpse was dis-

covered is about 300 yards from the Ar-

gyle Park station of the Chicago and

Evanston branch of the Chicago, Milwaukee

& St. Paul railroad, but two or three

blocks from the lake. The corpse was

found north of the corner of Sulz street and

Evanston avenue, where the mysterious

bloodstained trunk was found on the day

after Cronin's disappearance.

Immediately upon taking the body out

of the catch basin Foreman Roesche

summoned a patrol wagon and the body

was placed in the Lakeview morgue,

which occupies the front room in the

basement under the station.

Telephone messages were sent to the

city police and an hour after the finding

of the body a dozen of Cronin's friends

were at the station. The Chicago

brothers, who have been intimate with

Dr. Cronin, were among the first who ar-